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Serial No: 10/785,152

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For:

SOLDERING IRON TIP AND METHOD OF

MANUFACTURING SAME

Group Art Unit: 1725

Examiner: Jonathan J. Johnson

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